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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a continuation-in-part application of Appl. No. 09/228,324 filed on January 11, 1999. The present application is filed on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): Antonio Arevalo REYES, Robert Bruce WALLACE, Luis A. UGOZZOLI

For: LINKED LINEAR AMPLIFICATION OF NUCLEIC ACIDS

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of seventy-seven (77) pages
- Eighteen (18) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow
- Information Sheet
- Preliminary Amendment
- Certified copy of Priority Document(s)

- Priority of Application No(s). filed in on is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on
- An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
- A statement ( Original  Photocopy) to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
- Amend the specification by inserting before the first sentence  
--This application is a continuation-in-part of Application No. filed on , the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--
- Amend the specification by inserting before the first sentence  
--This application is a continuation-in-part of PCT international application No. PCT/ which has an international filing date of which designated the United States, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--
- An extension of time for ( ) month(s) until , has been submitted in parent Application No. in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.
- Other: Express Mail Certificate (Label No. EL424715422US)

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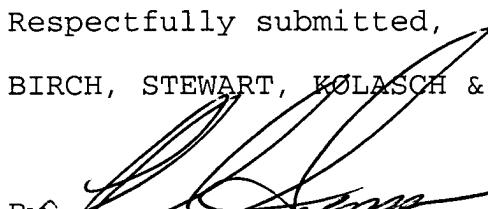
- The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed Declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.
- A check in the amount of \$2,426.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.
- Please send correspondence to:

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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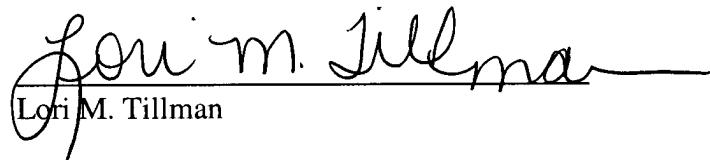
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I hereby certify that the enclosed Continuation-In-Part Application and related documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to Box Patent Application, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

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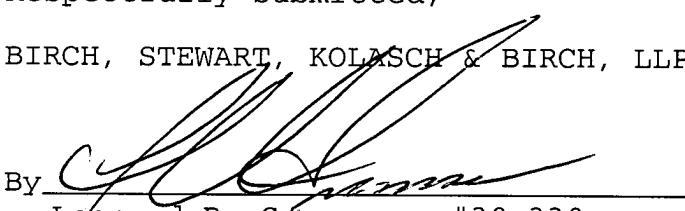
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The above information is submitted to advise the U.S.P.T.O. of all relevant facts in connection with the present application.

A timely executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow.

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